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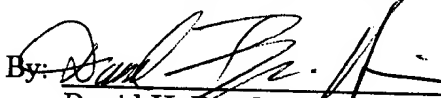
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	H. C. Tsai, et al., "A Study of Thermophoretic Transport in a Reacting Flow with Application to External Chemical Vapor Deposition Processes," Department of Mechanical Engineering, University of California at Berkeley, pp. 1901-1910, 1994.
	D. B. Keck, et al., "Low-Cost Fibre Fabrication," Phil. Trans. R. Soc. Lond. A 329, pp. 71-81, 1989.

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